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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 2823  
PATENT

Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Takayuki NIUYA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2823  
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Application No.: 09/658,193 ) Examiner: J. MALDONADO  
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Filed: September 8, 2000 )  
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In reply to the Final Office Action dated January 24, 2003 and pursuant to  
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the period for reply having been extended to by a two month Petition  
for Extension of Time and fee filed herewith, Applicants propose that this application be  
amended as follows:

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**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Submitted herewith is a Request for Approval of Drawing Change in which the  
proposed changes to Figs. 9A-9D are marked in red.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 11 and 14, as follows:

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